



CERTIFIED MEDIA PRODUCTION CREDIT WORKSHEET FOR TAX YEAR 2009 36 MRSA § 5219-Y

TAXPAYER NAME: _____ EIN/SSN: _____

Note: Owners of pass-through entities (partnerships, LLCs, S corporations, trusts, etc.) making an eligible investment, see instructions. Also, please provide name and ID number of the pass-through entity on the lines below.

NAME OF PASS-THROUGH ENTITY

EIN/SSN

Important: Businesses claiming the Pine Tree Development Zone income tax credit are not eligible for this credit.

Individuals, skip line 1 and line 2 below and see Worksheet MPB before completing line 3.

1. Certified media production compensation..... 1. _____
2. Total Maine compensation paid by the media production company during the tax year ... 2. _____
3. Media production credit apportionment percentage (divide line 1 by line 2 rounded to six decimals). *If the taxpayer is an individual, enter the amount from Worksheet MPB, line 8* 3. .
4. Regular income tax (Form 1120ME, line 7a **or** Form 1040ME, line 23 reduced by line 25, and reduced by Schedule A, line 3c and Schedule A, line 8) 4. _____
5. Certified Media Production Credit (line 4 multiplied by line 3). Enter the result here and on Form 1120ME, Schedule C, line 29n **or** on Form 1040ME, Schedule A, line 16 5. _____
6. Remaining tax liability available for other credits (line 4 minus line 5)..... 6. _____
7. Total other credits available (Form 1120ME, Schedule C, line 29o, excluding line 29e and the Certified Media Production Credit **or** Form 1040ME Schedule A, line 19, excluding lines 16 and 17) 7. _____
8. Other credits used this tax year (enter the smaller of line 6 or line 7)..... 8. _____

Note: Any unused Certified Media Production Credit may *not* be carried over to other tax years.

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WORKSHEET INSTRUCTIONS

General Instructions

The Certified Media Production credit for Maine income taxes is based on income derived from a certified media production. The process required to receive the tax credit is outlined below.

Required Certificates. The qualified media production company must obtain two separate certifications from the Department of Economic and Community Development ("DECD"). The first certificate is applied for prior to the start of the media production. A **Media Production Certificate** is issued to the qualified media production company meeting initial program requirements. Once the media production certificate is obtained, the business may begin the qualified production. Within 28 days after completion of the qualified production, the business must request a **Tax Reimbursement and Credit Certificate**, also from DECD. Once DECD has determined that the business has successfully complied with all of the requirements for a certified media production, a Tax Reimbursement and Credit Certificate will be issued to the business. (For more information on the Maine Certified Media Production Wage Reimbursement program, see Form 841ME and related instructions.)

Certified Media Production Tax Credit. The income tax credit is claimed on the business's annual Maine income tax return after obtaining a tax credit certificate from DECD. The credit is available to corporations through Form 1120ME and is available to individuals owners/members of pass-through entities and sole proprietors through Form 1040ME. If the certified media production is the only activity in Maine for the business, there will be no income tax due to Maine. If the business earns other Maine source income, the credit will be apportioned according to the percentage of Maine compensation associated with the certified media production. Also, if the business is a C corporation and has unitary affiliates, the entire group must file a combined report with Maine on Form CR, which is attached to Form 1120ME. Along with the Maine income tax return (1120ME, 1040ME) and Tax Credit Certificate, the business must also attach a copy of the Media Production Certificate issued by DECD (see 36 MRSA § 5219-Y(1)). In addition, the Certified Media Production Tax Credit Worksheet (available online at www.maine.gov/revenue) must accompany the Maine income tax return.

Specific Instructions

Note: Individual taxpayers skip line 1 and line 2 and enter the amount from Worksheet MPB line 8 on line 3.

- Line 1.** Enter the total compensation paid by the certified media production company related to the certified media production. "Compensation," means wages, salaries, commissions and any other form of remuneration paid to employees for personal services (see 36 MRSA § 5210, sub-§ 3).
- Line 2.** Enter the total Maine compensation paid by the media production company during the tax year.
- Line 3.** Corporate taxpayers enter the result of line 1 divided by line 2 rounded to six decimal places. Individual taxpayers enter the amount from Worksheet MPB line 8.